

NO EXCUSE FOR ADVANCE IN COAL PRICES

Washington, March 30.—While stating that a general strike in unionized bituminous coal mines is certain to begin Saturday, Secretary of Labor Davis declared in a statement tonight that the situation leaves "no excuse for advance in coal prices" and no prospect of a coal shortage for the public.

Declaring the government's efforts during the last two months to achieve a settlement in advance, Mr. Davis expressed "keen disappointment" at the failure of certain operators to fulfill the terms of their obligation to confer with miners for the making of new wage agreements which might have prevented escalation of work.

"All the government's efforts in the matter of mediation, conciliation and

compromise," he said, "have failed to save the country from the national strike of bituminous coal which will begin Saturday." In this effort, the president and himself have had neither legal right nor personal desire to dictate any program. Our one desire has been to induce, by persuasion and urgency, the operators and miners to discharge the obligation they assumed themselves to confer again for the making of a new agreement.

The miners, the secretary said, had always been willing to confer through their union representatives, but the operators, although for different assigned reasons in several localities, had "turned their backs on a chance to lay bare, not only to the miners, but to the public at large, their reasons for declining a new wage agreement."

A conference for the operators, he added, "would have removed any element of bad faith," but the operators, he declared, "but the side that openly repudiates the written and signed obligation has committed its case before the bar of public opinion."

The agreement reworded the statement explained, was that contained in the wage contract between operators and miners in the central competitive fields, including Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Western Pennsylvania, which has constituted the basic wage contract for all other coal fields in former years. The situation as to anthracite mining, it was added, "forms a pleasing contrast be-

cause operators and miners are meeting directly together."

Further complications in the coal industry, Mr. Davis continued, were due to the existence of over-production, amounting to "fully 30 per cent. over development in the bituminous fields." One result of this, he pointed out, was to leave available in storage now stocks of coal estimated at ten million tons for anthracite and 65,000,000 tons for bituminous.

"This means that railroads, public utilities, manufacturing industries and retail dealers will have on hand Saturday two months' supply," Mr. Davis concluded. "The operators state that production from non-union mines will meet at least fifty per cent. of the normal needs of the country."

As the strike in the bituminous industry is inevitable, the industry is squarely on trial before the public. At this time it is simply an economic dispute in which the chief sufferers will be the miners and the operators themselves. The administration will watch the developments and be ready to safeguard the public welfare whenever it is menaced.

Any rise in prices, he said, should be reported to Washington at once for action by the attorney general.

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ENTIRE PANEL OF BURCH

Los Angeles, Cal., March 30.—The entire panel of jurors in the trial of Arthur C. Burch, for murder, was challenged this afternoon by Paul W. Schenk, chief defense attorney, on the ground of alleged tampering.

Mohammedans have a lunar year of 354 days.

OBJECT OF CONFERENCE OF ALLIED FINANCE MINISTERS

Washington, March 30.—(By The A. P.)—The meeting of the finance ministers of the countries which did not participate in the recent conference of the allied finance ministers in Paris, was held at the state department today, was simply for the purpose of consultation and, although Roland W. Boyden, the American unofficial observer with the operations commission, presided over today's meeting, the whole proceeding must be regarded as quite informal.

One of the principal functions of Mr. Boyden, it was explained, is to seek information regarding the plans of the operations commission and the extent of any fund or property in kind realized therefrom. Other allied governments not represented in the meeting of the Big Four powers, it was said, naturally desired to consult with the American representatives as they too, have interests which they feel must be protected.

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It's often the trial and the tempest as much as the sweetness that sings.

We wouldn't want everything perfect—lots of us keep up our grit.

By finding fault with the country; it helps to sharpen the wit.

We wouldn't want everything roses, and never the prick of a thorn;

There wouldn't be much incentive to rise at the call of the morn.

We wouldn't want everything easy here—God's secret is giving us

A burden of care and contention—but sweet are the wages of cheer.

—Detroit Free Press.

HUMOR OF THE DAY

"Mighty fine henhouse you're putting up. You must think hens are going to pay."

"If they don't I'll use the building for summer boarders."—Louisville Courier Journal.

He (proposing)—"I've saved up enough to live at the rate of \$10,000 a year."

She—"For how long?"

He—"Oh, six months."—Boston Transcript.

Doris' mother had purchased a new porch chair made of bamboo. Doris visited a playmate who bragged of a new mahogany nursery chair, and Doris exclaimed: "Oh, but my mother has got a lovely new baboon chair!"

—Chicago News.

Howard Schpyler has a beautiful painting: "Surf-bathing in Russia."

Collinsy—All rot! Serfs never take a bath.—Exchange.

Patron—"What's that? That watch will not be repaired until next May?"

Jeweler—"Sorry, sir, but you see a spring cleaning is necessary."—Waynes Tales.

"Do you remember when you were first struck by my beauty?"

"Yes, dear, it was at the masked ball."—Sun Dial.

His Sister—Alice seems to be positively crazy about the fashions. She has quite lost her head.

Alice's Husband—You wouldn't think so if you had to pay for her hats.—Boston Transcript.

"So you don't believe there is such a thing as genius?"

"Not nowadays," replied Dustin, Tax.

"What is your idea of a genius?"

"A man who can think of some way to help the railroad business, without raising rates."—Washington Star.

Grocer—"What was the woman complaining about?"

Assistant—"The long wait."

Grocer—"And only yesterday she was complaining about the short wait. You can't please some people."—Tribune.

"You've been drinking again," she said severely.

"Why, my dear!" he protested. "I haven't touched a drop."

"Then will you tell me since when have men begun to wear women's hats?" she asked acidly.—Buffalo Commercial.

Miss Elderly—"The insulting wretch! He asked me if I remembered the dreadfully cold winter of 1875—think of it!"

Miss Keen—"Oh, I'm sure he didn't mean to offend you, dear. He probably didn't know what a bad memory you have."—Boston Transcript.

"If I could get the financial backing I'd start an airplane service between New York and Paris."

"Do you think you could get enough passengers to make it pay?"

"I wouldn't bother with passengers. I'd carry nothing but women's hats and I'd guarantee to get them over here before they went out of fashion."—New York Sun.

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